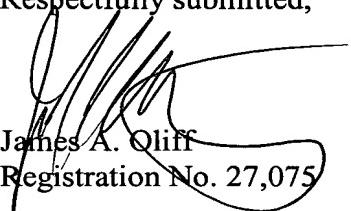


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 10 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 - 10 are amended to remove reference numerals in accordance with U.S. practice. The specification is also amended to add the Abstract. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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